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OPEN BOOK

My silence around companions is an illustration of the sorrow caused by former friends My sobs during romance films are a rehearsal of a poem recalling my unsuccessful odyssey Through more broken hearts than any surgery of kindness can repair My sad smiles towards children at play sound out the prose of a lonely childhood Where castigation and screams were all that ever reached my highly alert ears It's all been diaries of pain so far, but the remaining blank pages will be filled With short yet powerful stories of optimism and contentment which I'm taking All the time necessary to write

SHIVER

The mouth of the feisty wind bites its icy teeth into my heavily layered arms The false fur does nothing to help shield my body from this invisible warrior Which sends shakes comparable to earthquakes all around me

So why is it that six months later, the chilly imprint of the brutal winter Is completely gone, without even the smallest scar around my once tormented body? Perhaps the sun's brilliant waves are manipulative enough

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